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In re Patent Application of)	MAIL STOP/AF
Kenneth G. NOGGLE)	Group Art Unit: 3722
Application No.: 09/782,915)	Examiner: Dana Ross
Filed: February 13, 2001)	Confirmation No.: 3193
For: CUTTING TOOL ADJUSTMENT DEVICE)	

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Final Rejection dated November 18, 2004, reconsideration of claims 1-7 in the subject patent application is requested.

Page 5 of the final rejection made reference to Applicant's arguments set forth in the appeal brief, by asserting that:

"Examiner disagrees with Applicant's assertion that "the ability to achieve sensitive accurate adjustment of the cutting ... would be destroyed if Basteck's wedging device were directly attached to the holder". Applicant asserts that "the head of the wedging device would apply a downward axial force to the stop pin, tending to axially displace the stop pin downwardly".

Applicant appears to be arguing a scenario where Basteck's wedge device is screwed to the point that the intermediate component of Basteck is pushed beyond its intended use of adjusting an insert."

The point which applicant was attempting to make was that Basteck's invention relates to the ability to make very sensitive adjustments of the cutter which is accomplished in that axial movement of the screw 37 is converted directly into radial movement of the pin head. That is, the operator knows that a certain turning of the screw will result in a predictable displacement of the insert.

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